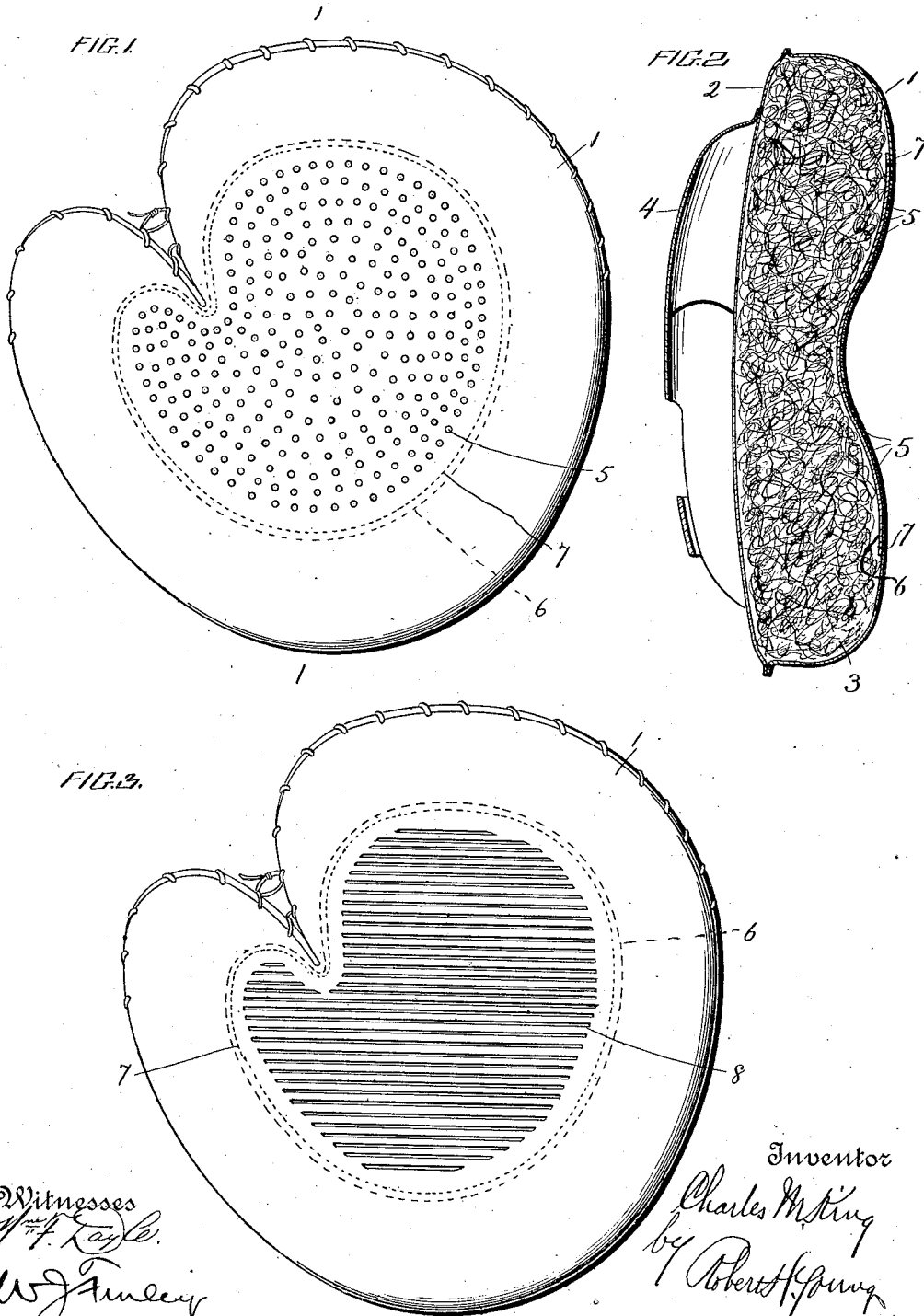


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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, CHARLES M. KING, a citizen of the United States, residing at Washington, in the District of Columbia, have invented new and useful Improvements in Base-Ball Gloves and Mitts, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to base ball gloves or mitts.

10 The object of my invention is to produce a base ball glove or mitt in which the palm portion is constructed to present a more adherent surface in catching a base ball.

A further object of my invention is to 15 produce a base ball glove or mitt having a multiplicity of indentations or small pockets in the face of the palm portion adapted to render same less slippery.

Another object thereof is to produce a 20 glove or mitt of said character in which the face of the palm portion is provided with a plurality of perforations or transverse slots and a reinforcing layer beneath same by which a base ball is retained and prevented 25 from slipping from the grasp, and a still further object of my invention is to provide a more simple, cheap and efficient article of said class than has heretofore been produced.

To these ends, my invention includes the 30 combinations and arrangement of component parts to be hereinafter described and more particularly pointed out in the claim.

In the accompanying drawings, in which like reference characters indicate similar 35 parts, Figure 1 is a perspective view of a base ball mitt of my invention; Fig. 2 is a longitudinal sectional view of the same taken on the line 1--1 of Fig. 1, and Fig. 3 is a perspective view of a modified form 40 of my invention.

Referring to said drawings, 1 indicates the front or palm portion of a base ball mitt, and 2 designates the back portion

thereof which portions are preferably of flexible leather and may be laced together 45 around their edges as shown.

Suitable padding 3 is secured between the front and back portions to cushion the hand, and the back is provided with a glove piece 4 by which the glove is secured upon the 50 hand of the wearer.

For the purpose of rendering the palm portion 1 of the mitt more adherent and to prevent base balls caught therein from slipping from the grasp, the face of the palm 55 portion is provided with a multiplicity of perforations 5 and upon the under face thereof is secured a thickness or strip of flexible material 6 as a reinforcing backing for the perforated face which forms the 60 closure for said perforations. The backing 6 may be secured upon the face portion by adhesive cement or by stitches 7 or by both.

In the modified form of my invention shown in Fig. 3 of the drawings, transverse 65 slots 8 are provided in the face of the palm portion 1 instead of the perforations as above described.

It will be appreciated that my invention may be applied to both fingerless mitts and 70 to finger gloves with equal value.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new and desire to be secured by Letters Patent, is—

A base ball mitt or glove, comprising 75 flexible palm and back portions and suitable padding, the palm portion being provided with a plurality of perforations, and a reinforcing layer of flexible material secured upon the back of said palm portion, substantially as described. 80

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